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28 April 1948

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: CHIEFS OF FIELD BUREAUS  
FROM: ACTING CHIEF, FBI  
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION

1. The Christian Science Monitor of 9 April 1948, under the by-line of Edgar A. Rosen, carried an article containing the following paragraph:

"In December, a compromise was reached that gave some satisfaction to Moscow and some to Helsinki. Finland agreed to let the Soviet Union double the rail tracks from Leningrad to Tornio, Vaasa, and Abo. In case of war, Finnish rolling stock was to be taken over by the Russians."

2. The Office of Reports and Estimates has a strong requirement for expanding information concerning the above, specifically as follows:

- a. Did this reported compromise agreement take place?
- b. Is it actually being double-tracked?
- c. Clarification of described railroad.

3. It is requested that any intercepted material having a bearing on this requirement be processed and reported promptly.

cc: Chief, London Bureau  
Chief, Mediterranean Bureau  
Chief, Hawaii Bureau  
Chief, Tokyo Bureau  
Chief, West Coast Bureau

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